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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
DATED NOVEMBER 12, 2003

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 12, 2003. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, *i.e.*, by February 12, 2004. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time, extending the response date to March 12, 2003. Please enter the following remarks into the record for this application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 24 of this paper.